

MAIL STOP AF **RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116** EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **EXAMINING GROUP 3711**

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Arc Fault Circuit Interrupter System

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Commissioner for Patents

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an "Reply After Final" for this application.

The Applicants are other than a small entity.

The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

The Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. This conditional petition is being made, however, to provide for the possibility that the Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining	Highest No. Paid For	Extra	Small Entity	Large Entity
Total	46	46	0 x	\$ 9=\$	\$ 18 = \$ 0
Independent	7	7	0 x	\$ 43 = \$	\$ 86 = \$ 0
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$ 145 = \$	\$ 290 = \$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					\$ 0

There is no additional fee for claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 10-0447 (47181-00259). A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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REPLY AFTER FINAL

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated September 29, 2004. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by December 29, 2004, and this response is being filed within that time period. Please enter the following remarks into the record for this application.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.